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## **Greater Yellowstone Interagency Brucellosis Committee** to meet in Bozeman, Montana

The Greater Yellowstone Interagency Brucellosis Committee (GYIBC) will hold its triannual meeting on January 13-14, 2004 at the Best Western GranTree Inn in Bozeman, Mt. The Technical and Information and Education Subcommittees will meet from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 13. The Executive Committee meeting is scheduled from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 14. All meetings are open to the public.

The GYIBC is a multi-state and federal interagency effort to collectively identify and implement equitable solutions to concerns about brucellosis in the Greater Yellowstone Area (GYA) while moving towards the elimination of the disease that is not native to wildlife. Topics for this meeting will include scientific presentations and discussions on brucellosis in a Boulder, Wyoming cattle herd, agency updates, Jackson Bison & Elk EIS, revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding which establishes the GYIBC, and a possible Executive Officer.

The GYIBC is made up of representatives from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, Idaho Department of Agriculture, Montana Department of Livestock, Wyoming Livestock Board, USDA Forest Service, USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA Agricultural Research Service, USDI Fish and Wildlife Service, USDI National Park Service, USDI Bureau of Land Management, USDI Geological Service. It is the Goal of the Greater Yellowstone Interagency Brucellosis Committee (GYIBC) to protect and sustain the existing free-ranging elk and bison populations in the Greater Yellowstone Area (GYA) and protect the public interests and economic viability of the livestock industry in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

**NOTE:** GYIBC is available on the Internet. Access the GYIBC Home Page by pointing your web browser to **http://www.nps.gov/gyibc/home.htm**